

TERM 1 2019

OVERVIEW

GRADES

1/2H, 1/2M & 1/2W

Welcome back to a brand new school year 2019. We hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable time with your family and friends over the summer holidays. All the children are settling into their classrooms, establishing routines, getting to know their teachers and making new friends.

If at any stage this year you have any concerns **PLEASE** arrange a time to see your teacher as early as possible. That way we can work together to make the problem not escalate. It has been a terrific start and we are all looking forward to a wonderful year.



INQUIRY

The Identity Inquiry focus in Term 1 for the year 1 and 2 students is 'Who Am I?'

To develop an understanding of their own identity and to recognise that we are all different students will investigate their personal characteristics including strengths and weaknesses, their family history including cultural traditions and celebrations, their connection to different places, their relationships with family and friends, their personal interests and the change that occurs in their thinking over time.

ENGLISH

Students will:

YEAR 1 & 2:

- develop their knowledge and understanding of consonant blends and vowel sounds in order to improve their phonemic awareness.
- develop their knowledge to identify common and proper nouns.
- develop their knowledge and understanding of when to use capital letters.
- develop their knowledge and understanding of sentences, with a focus on statements and questions.
- participate in explicit reading and writing sessions to understand the process of writing, text structure, language features that incorporate the 6 +1 Writing Traits.
- read and create their own: Recount, Description and Narrative text types.
- practise a range of CAFÉ reading strategies: **Comprehension, Accuracy, Fluency** and to **Expand Vocabulary**.
- practise letter formation, shape and size

All students will participate in the whole school SMART Spelling Program.

MATHEMATICS

Students will:

The mathematical topics to be covered this term are; **counting, place value, 2D shapes and 3D shapes**.

Each maths session will begin with a mental maths activity to develop automaticity.

Mathematical language that we will be using for each topic:

Counting – zero, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, ones, tens, hundreds, thousands, numeral, before, after, smallest, largest, count back, count on, decreasing, digit, increasing, pattern, skip counting, even, odd, larger, smaller, order, place value, repeat, add on, continue, rule, subtract

Place Value – one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, ones, tens, hundreds, thousands, more, less, digit

2D Shapes – square, circle, triangle, rectangle, edges, trapezium, corner, curved, kite, rhombus, straight, quadrilateral, pentagon, hexagon, heptagon, octagon, parallelogram, parallel lines, sides, angles, regular, irregular

3D Shapes – circle, triangle, square, rectangle, hexagon, cone, sphere, cylinder, cube, rectangular prism, faces, corners, edges, square pyramid, tetrahedron, triangular prism

KITCHEN CLASSROOM

During Term 1 we will be running one Kitchen Classroom session. We greatly appreciate the help of parents with a current Working with Children Check at these times. This year the sign-up sheet will be at individual classrooms.

Our cooking days are:

Monday 11:40am-1:40pm- **1/2M**

Wednesday 11:40am-1:40pm- **1/2W**

Friday 11:40am-1:40pm- **1/2H**

LEADERSHIP

On Thursdays the Year 1 and 2 students will participate in the whole school Leadership Program. Activities will include; ICT, Art, Science, Music and Environmental Studies run by Grade 6 leaders.

TIMETABLE

Each week students have Visual Art, Music, Physical Education and Performing Arts. The timetable is as follows:

	1/2H	1/2M	1/2W
VISUAL ART	MONDAY 11:40—12:40	MONDAY 2:30—3:30	MONDAY 12:40—1:40
PERFORMING ARTS	THURSDAY 9:00—9:40	THURSDAY 9:40—10:20	THURSDAY 10:20—11:00
PHYS ED	THURSDAY 10:20—11:00	THURSDAY 9:00—9:40	THURSDAY 9:40—10:20
JAPANESE	THURSDAY 9:40—10:20	THURSDAY 1:00—1:40	THURSDAY 9:00—9:40
LIBRARY	MONDAY 2:30—3:30	WEDNESDAY 3:00—3:30	MONDAY 2:30—3:30

We are looking forward to a fantastic year.

Kate Mercer, Jo Hiscox and Lynne Westaway.
Grade 1/2 Classroom teachers

GENERAL INFORMATION

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

The school newsletter is emailed to subscribers every Wednesday. The school newsletter is also available to download from our school website.

TISSUES

A donation of one box of tissues per student for classroom use during the year would be appreciated.

HATS

Please remember that hats are required for all students from mid August to the end of April. All students are to wear a Selby school hat with their name clearly labelled inside the hat.

PARENT HELPERS

Parents are encouraged to help in the classrooms in many ways. If you have some time to support reading with the students, please see you child's class teacher.

Please ensure your child is here punctually each day. Punctuality benefits your child's learning and is an important skill to learn.

As part of the children's continuing development we encourage the children to be responsible for their belongings. Could you please encourage them to bring in their own bags, lunch orders, readers etc.